

AMENDED IN ASSEMBLY JULY 9, 1997

SENATE BILL

No. 1145

Introduced by Senator Burton

February 28, 1997

An act to amend Sections 6140 and 6140.4 of the Business and Professions Code, relating to the State Bar of California.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 1145, as amended, Burton. State Bar of California: membership fees.

(1) Existing law establishes annual membership fees for members of the State Bar of California for the years 1996 and 1997, but does not establish membership fees for later years.

This bill would establish annual membership fees for the ~~years year~~ 1998 ~~and 1999~~ at levels that are \$20 less than the fee levels established for the years 1996 and 1997 and would extend the repealer in the provision to January 1, ~~2000~~ 1999.

(2) Existing law, until January 1, 1998, requires the Board of Governors of the State Bar to increase the annual membership fees by an additional fee of \$110 to be used exclusively for discipline augmentation.

This bill would continue that requirement for the ~~years year~~ 1998 ~~and 1999~~ and would also extend the repealer in the provision to January 1, ~~2000~~ 1999.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 6140 of the Business and
2 Professions Code is amended to read:

3 6140. (a) The board shall fix the annual membership
4 fee for 1998 ~~and 1999~~ as follows:

5 (1) For active members who have been admitted to
6 the practice of law in this state for three years or longer
7 preceding the first day of February of the year for which
8 the fee is payable, at the sum of two hundred seventy-one
9 dollars (\$271).

10 (2) For active members who have been admitted to
11 the practice of law in this state for less than three years
12 but more than one year preceding the first day of
13 February of the year for which the fee is payable, at the
14 sum of two hundred three dollars (\$203).

15 (3) For active members who have been admitted to
16 the practice of law in this state during, or for less than one
17 year preceding the first day of February of, the year for
18 which the fee is payable, at a sum not exceeding one
19 hundred seventy-two dollars (\$172).

20 (b) The annual membership fee for active members is
21 payable on or before the first day of February of each
22 year. If the board finds it appropriate and feasible, it may
23 provide by rule for payment of fees on an installment
24 basis with interest, by credit card, or other means, and
25 may charge members choosing any alternative method of
26 payment an additional fee to defray costs incurred by that
27 election.

28 This section shall remain in effect only until January 1,
29 ~~2000~~ 1999, and as of that date is repealed, unless a later
30 enacted statute, that is chaptered before January 1, ~~2000~~
31 1999, deletes or extends that date.

32 SEC. 2. Section 6140.4 of the Business and Professions
33 Code is amended to read:

34 6140.4. (a) For 1998 ~~and 1999~~, the board shall
35 increase the annual membership fee fixed by it pursuant
36 to Section 6140 by an additional fee of one hundred ten
37 dollars (\$110) to be used exclusively for discipline
38 augmentation.



1 (b) This augmentation shall be in addition to existing
2 levels of expenditure for discipline as established during
3 1987 for 1988.

4 (c) This section shall remain in effect until January 1,
5 ~~2000~~ 1999, and as of that date is repealed, unless a later
6 enacted statute, that is chaptered before January 1, ~~2000~~
7 1999, deletes or extends that date.

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